

Educational

Dr. Parker's Preaching

Presbyterian.

In Dr. Joseph Parker's congregation the men predominate. This is a noteworthy fact. It shows the strong hold he has upon the business and literary mind. Tho he is seventy years of age, his church is crowded, and his vigor shows no perceptible abatement. He has been an unique preacher, wielding a remarkably intellectual as well as spiritual power. His preaching on the whole, has been evangelical and evangelistic and his career indicates that there is nothing like the gospel, when ably and truly presented, to hold men as well as women, year after year. It has not lost its virtue to edify, to comfort, to inspire and to save.

The One Who Earns His Way

"I have yet to learn of anybody's coming unhandcapped by disease or great debt, and then going away because he could not earn a living at college," says Jesse Lynch Williams in the *Ladies' Home Journal*. It is hard work of course, but a college man, like every one else, is happier with his time well filled. In fact, most of the men I knew who worked their way thru college enjoyed their four

years quite as much as their more fortunate fellows. Besides, in addition to getting as much, if not more, out of his books, the man who earns his own way is acquiring practical experience and a confidence in himself with which to pitch into the big world later in life."

Motives In Education

Advance.

The motives which lead young people to seek an education are various. Some go to college because their parents wish it, or because their friends are going. Some find it on the road to the fulfillment of an ambition. Some study from a pure love of acquisition, as other men seek wealth. Some look on an education as a preparation for larger usefulness in a chosen calling. But whatever the motive, and however the time in college may have been spent, no one comes out the same that he went in. He holds a different place in the thought of his community from what he otherwise would have held. His own conscience makes demands upon him that it otherwise would not have made, stifles its voice as he may. And God holds him responsible not only for what he has acquired, but for what he might have become if he had used his opportunities faithfully. The world, his own conscience, and his God endorse the demands that education has laid upon him. Young people within college walls do not as a rule, think much of

what their education will mean to the world. They cannot realize it fully, for they cannot know what will be the scope of their developed powers. But more and more as the years go by it grows upon the thoughtful man. The demands of an education may be ignored or refused, but they cannot be escaped.

The Joy of Service

Exchange.

Not only does the fact that a man is educated and consequently qualified for higher service give others a right to expect more from him, not only is it necessary to keep giving out of one's very self in order to retain the manhood that school discipline has developed but the highest joy of life comes in service. The miser who hoards, and the spendthrift who throws away, know nothing of the true joy of a wise use of money. The same is true with reference to wealth of intellect and character. This is the truth at the heart of Christ's story of the king who made a reckoning with his servants. To each faithful one he said, "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." But what was the door to this joy but the opportunity for greater service? "Thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things." And this joy of service is also, indeed, the Lord's own joy—his, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, counting as nothing its shame. "The joy of thy Lord!"

Program of the National Conference of the Brethren Church, to be held at Winona Lake, Ind., August 31 to September 5, 1900.

Friday, August 31, 2. P. M.

Devotional Service, Moderator J. H. Knepper,

Appointment of Committees,—

- (1) On credentials.
- (2) On Organization.

Three minute addressess by the Delegates.

Report of Committees,

Permanent Organization.

Appointment of Additional Committees.

Friday Evening

Annual Sermon—Moderator J. H. Knepper.

The program after the first session is to be scheduled by the Executive Committee during the several sessions of the Conference. Following is an outline of the program, but not scheduled according to time, etc.:

Bible Reading each morning and evening, J. A. Miller.

OUR EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS,—

- (1) Report of Ashland College. (Year 1899-1900) President J. Allen Miller.
- (2) Announcement of the Plans of the Board of Trustees.
- (3) The Theological School and the Preacher, R. R. Teeter.
- (4) The College as a Center of Spiritual Power, J. A. Miller.
- (5) Needs of Ashland College, R. E. Darling.

OUR PUBLISHING INTERESTS,—

- (1) Report of the Secretary of the Publication Board, J. C. Cassel.
- (2) The Church Paper as an Educator, A. D. Gnagey.
- (3) The Ideal Sunday School Quarterly, J. L. Gillin.
- (4) Tracts, their Contents, Style, and Use, Dr. J. C. Mackey.
- (5) Report of Hymn Book Committee, Member of the Com.

MISSIONS,—

- (1) Report of National Mission Board, J. C. Cassel.
- (2) State of the Work in Wash. D. C., W. M. Lyon.
- (3) State of the Work in Chicago, J. O. Talley.
- (4) State of the Work in Dayton, J. L. Kimmel.
- (5) Incentives to Missionary Zeal, E. E. Haskins.
- (6) The West as a Missionary Field for the Brethren Church, A. J. Hixson.
- (7) Are we Ready to Enter the Foreign Field? Z. T. Livengood, J. C. Cassel.
- (8) The reflex Influence of Missions, C. F. Yoder.
- (9) Short talks by District Evangelists.

Report of the Secretary of the Ministerial Assoct., R. R. Teeter.

The Use of Discipline in the Church, G. W. Rench.

Statistical Report of the General Secretary, J. L. Gillin.

The Attitude of the Church toward Popular Amusements, J. D. McFaden.

The Holy Spirit and the Word, W. C. Perry, L. S. Bauman.

The Dead Line in the Ministry, J. F. Koontz, D. C. Moomaw.

The Periodic Revival, L. W. Ditch.

Our Ministry,—How increase Its Numbers and Efficiency, J. L. Kimmel.

Some Needed Reform in Sunday School Work, J. M. Tombaugh.

The District Work, W. H. Miller.

The Duty of the Strong Congregation to the Weak, Martin Shively.

Neglected Bible Truths, I. D. Bowman.

The Ethical and Doctrinal Value of the Old Testament Scriptures, W. D. Furry.

THE SISTER'S SOCIETY SESSION,—

The Real Mission of the S. S. C. E., Mrs. Laura Hedrick.

The Power of Prayer in a Consecrated Life, Mrs. John Fox.

Silent Workers, Mrs. A. H. Lichty.

Divine Growth, Miss Mary Sterling.

The Relation of the Pastor to the Local S. S. C. E., Mrs. Gordon.

How to make the best use of our Local Fund, Miss Ida Simmonds.

Christianity and Education, Mrs. Helen Frame.

How may the S. S. C. E. do world-wide Mission Work, Miss Ethel Clarke.

(Unless otherwise instructed, the papers to be not over eight minutes long.)

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK,—

Devotions, Prof. C. Orville Witter.

President's Annual Address.

Secretary's Report.

Treasurer's Report.

Paper: The Approaching Era and its Problems, A. D. Gnagey.

Song, Owan Switzer and Jessie Baker.

Address: The Missionary Outlook for the XX Century—Our Opportunities and Responsibilities, Eld. J. C. Cassel.

Address: The Young Peoples' Century, Rev. C. F. Yoder.

Address: Young People as God's Witnesses, Rev. J. O. Talley.

Paper: Pentecostal Power—What, How, Why,—Rev. Marcus A. Witter.

Address: Our Young People's Society in Business and Social Life, F. O. Switzer.

This programme is somewhat provisional in its make up. But for the most part it will be rendered as printed. There will also be several Conferences on Methods, etc., conducted by those capable of giving such help as may be needed.

Sermons, Sunday Worship, Etc.

Sunday School, Superintendent Albert Trent.

Morning Sermon, J. L. Gillin.

Evening Sermon, Z. T. Livengood.

Junior Rally, C. F. Yoder.

Senior K. C., Marcus Witter.